GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION OF COAL TO SSI
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the norms /criteria adopted by the ECL for allocation of coal to Small Scale Industries;

(b) whether Coal is not being allocated by the Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL) to the Small Scale Industries in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action being taken by Government to ensure proper and timely supply of coal to the Small Scale Industries in the Country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY COAL (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA)

(a): Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL) is regularly releasing coal to valid linked units of small scale industry, on month to month basis, to the extent of their entitlement.

(b) & (c): Eastern Coalfields Limited is supplying coal to 137 valid linked units of Small Scale Industries, who were granted linkages by Coal India Limited, to the extent of their entitlement.

(d): Under the New Coal Distribution Policy (NCDP) notified by the Government on 18th October,2007, a quantity of 8 million tonnes per annum has been earmarked for distribution to those small and medium consumers, whose requirement is less than 4200 tonnes per annum and who do not have linkage of coal with the coal companies. The earmarked quantity would be distributed through agencies notified by the State Governments. These units whose annual requirement is more than 4200 tonnes can take coal directly from the coal companies through Fuel Supply Agreement. In addition any one can take coal under e-auction.